American Red Cross Hurricane Shelters



In Santa Rosa County, hurricane shelters will be opened as needed when evacuation orders are issued. Shelters openings will be announced through all means possible including local media outlets, press conferences and public meetings. Presently five shelters are available. These shelters will be opened as needed. Consult local media for openings. They are:



Never drive through flooded roadways. Roads are often washed away following heavy rainfall. Flooding can occur days after a storm passes, so extreme caution should be taken when driving after a hurricane.

This damage on Ward Basin Road occurred because of flooding, subsequent heavy rains during Hurricane George. Notice the additional washout just up the road.

Milton Community Center

5629 Byrom St. Milton, FL 32570 **Avalon Middle School** 5445 King Arthurs Way Milton, FL 32583

Dixon Intermediate School

5540 Education Drive Pace, FL 32571 Sims Middle School 5500 Education Drive (South) Pace, FL 32571

Special Needs Shelter is available at:

Sims Middle School

5500 Education Drive (North) Pace, Florida 32571

Emergency Survival Kit

- ~ Flashlights (at least 2)
- ~ Standard Battery Operated Radio (For commercial stations)
- ~ NOAA Weather Radio (For NWS Broadcasts)
- ~ Pocket Knife
- ~ Sanitary Supplies, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Soap, Shampoo, Sponge, Cleanser, Bleach, Facial Tissues, Toilet Paper
- ~ Extra Batteries (for Radios & Flashlights)
- ~ Pencils
- ~ Notepad
- ~ Drinks / Juices

- \sim Nuts
- ~ Rice ~ Pastas
- ~ Dried Beans
- ~ Soups
- ~ Peanut Butter
- $\sim Crackers \\$
- ~ Canned Foods
- ~ Can Opener
- ~ Water (1 gallon per person per day)
- ~ First Aid Kit
- ~ First Aid Handbook
- ~ Prescription Medicines
- ~ Aspirin

- ~ Rubbing Alcohol
- ~ Paper Towels
- ~ Cloth Bath Towels
- ~ Blankets
- ~ Change of Clothing
- ~ Foul Weather Gear
- ~ Sterno Stove and Fuel
- ~ Plastic Garbage Bags
- ~ Matches (wrapped to be waterproof)
- ~ Cooking Utensils-Cooking Pot, Plastic, Dishes, Silverware, Aluminum Foil

Pets Need Special Care

f you need to evacuate, take your pet with you, but remember that pets cannot go to a Red Cross Shelter. Contact hotels or motels outside your immediate area and ask about their policies on accepting pets during an emergency and keep a list of "pet friendly" places. Check with boarding facilities and veterinarians who could shelter your pets.

If you must leave your pet behind make sure your pet can get into a safe, secure room without windows, but with adequate air, like a big bathroom. Leave enough food and water for three (3) days and put water in containers that are not easily knocked over. You should leave a faucet dripping in a bathtub or sink with the drain open. Don't forget to leave their favorite bed and toys and **NEVER**, **NEVER**, **NEVER** leave your dog tied up outside!

Children can help make a <u>Pet Disaster Kit</u> with food, can opener, treats, drinkable water in plastic containers, pet medications and medical records in a waterproof container. Sturdy leashes, pet bed and toys are a must!

